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SUBJECT: MEETINGS WITH MIDDLE EAST VISITORS

1. WE WOULD MUCH APPRECIATE IT IF ISA SABBAGH COULD BE
MADE AVAILABLE TO TRANSLATE AND INTERPRET THREE FORTHCOMING
MEETINGS BETWEEN KEY MIDDLE EAST LEADERS AND THE PRESIDENT
AND SECRETARY. AS WE ALL KNOW, ISA HAS NO PEER IN SUCH AN
ENTERPRISE AND HAS THE ADDED ADVANTAGE OF KNOWING ALL
THREE ARAB PERSONALITIES INVOLVED.

2. FOLLOWING ARE THE MEETING ARRANGEMENTS FOR WHICH WE
WOULD APPRECIATE THE SERVICES OF ISA SABBAGH:

-- APRIL 21-23 APPROXIMATELY, VISIT OF SYRIAN FOREIGN
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MINISTER KHADDAM TO WASHINGTON.

-- MAY 9, MEETING BETWEEN PRESIDENT CARTER AND SYRIAN
PRESIDENT ASAD IN GENEVA.

-- MAY 24-25 VISIT OF PRINCE FAHD TO WASHINGTON, D.C.

3. WOULD APPRECIATE ISA SUBMITTING RENEWED MEDICAL JUSTIFICATION TO MED SO THAT WE CAN ISSUE FIRST-CLASS TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION.
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